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SUBJECT: VISIT OF CROWN PRINCE HASSAN TO EGYPT

1. CAIRO PRESS GAVE EXTENSIVE AND CONTINUOUS COVERAGE TO JULY 8-13 VISIT TO EGYPT OF JORDANIAN CROWN PRINCE HASSAN. HASSAN ENTOURAGE REPORTEDLY INCLUDED NASIR BADRAN, CHIEF OF ROYAL CABINET; DR. RAJA'I AL-MUQASHIR, MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE; DR. ISHAQ AL-FARHAN, DIRECTOR OF ROYAL SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY; DR. KAMAL ABU JABIR, DEAN OF ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL FACULTY AT AMMAN UNIVERSITY; AND LIEUTENANT GENERAL (RET.) MAHMUD SHAYFUR, DIRECTOR OF PORT OF AQABA.

2. JUDGING FROM TONE OF EGYPTIAN PRESS COVERAGE, COMPOSITION OF JORDANIAN DELEGATION, AND COMMENTS BY HASSAN (MOST EXTENSIVELY CITED BY ENGLISH LANGUAGE EGYPTIAN GAZETTE) UPON RETURN TO AMMAN, EGYPTIAN VISIT OF CROWN PRINCE PRIMARILY INVOLVED DISCUSSIONS OF ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE AND COOPERATION IN FIELD OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH. POLITICAL MATTERS RELATING TO MIDDLE EAST SITUATION OR EGYPTIAN-JORDANIAN DIPLOMATIC/ MILITARY COORDINATION WERE CONSISTENTLY DOWN-PLAYED, IF UNCLASSIFIED

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MENTIONED AT ALL.

3. COVERAGE OF HASSAN VISIT BEGAN WITH RECEPTION OF CROWN PRINCE AT CAIRO AIRPORT JULY 8 BY VP MUBARAK AND PRIMIN SALIM, WHICH PROMINENTLY FEATURED FOLLOWING DAY IN ALL PAPERS, ALONG WITH DINNER FOR HASSAN HOSTED BY MUBARAK. ALL PAPERS COVERED JULY 9 VISIT BY HASSAN TO ALEXANDRIA AND MEETING WITH PRESIDENT SADAT. AFTER MEETING, BOTH SADAT AND HASSAN ADDRESSED STATEMENTS OF FRIENDSHIP AND HOPES FOR CONTINUED GOOD RELATIONS TO ASSEMBLED REPORTERS, BUT APPARENTLY DID NOT ANSWER QUESTIONS. AFTER SADAT MEETING, HASSAN VISITED FINE SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY IN QASR AL-DAWAR, NEAR ALEXANDRIA, AND NAVAL TERMINAL IN ALEXANDRIA PORT.

4. COVERAGE OF JULY 10 CENTERED ON VISIT BY HASSAN TO SUEZ CANAL AREA, ACCOMPANIED BY EGYPTIAN DELEGATION LED BY MINTRADE ZAKARIYA TAWFIQ. CROWN PRINCE FIRST PROCEEDED TO PORT SAID WHERE HE MET WITH GOVERNOR AND DISCUSSED CANAL RECONSTRUCTION. HASSAN THEN WENT TO ISMA'ILIYA, WHERE HE MET WITH GOVERNOR (AHMAD KAMAL AL-KAL-ANI), MAJOR GENERAL FUAD AZIZ GHALI (COMMANDER OF SECOND EGYPTIAN FIELD ARMY), AND SUEZ CANAL AUTHORITY DIRECTOR MASHHUR AHMAD MASHHUR. CROWN PRINCE ENDED SUEZ VISIT WITH BRIEF CRUISE ON LAKE TIMSAH.

5. JULY 11 WAS DEVOTED ENTIRELY TO TOURISM IN HIGH DAM AREA NEAR ASWAN. ALL NEWSPAPERS REPORTED JULY 12 MEETING OF CROWN PRINCE WITH PM SALIM. ON JULY 12, HASSAN ALSO VISITED AL-AZHAR, WHERE HE MET WITH DR.ABD AL-HALIM MAHMUD, SHAYKH OF AL-AZHAR AND WITH DR. MUHAMMED AL-DHAHABI, MINISTER OF WAQFS (RELIGIOUS ENDOWMENTS). DURING EVENING, HASSAN HOSTED DINNER AT QUBBA PALACE, DURING WHICH HE CONFERRED JORDANIAN ORDER OF NAHDA ON MUBARAK AND SALIM.

6. FINAL MORNING OF VISIT WAS DEVOTED TO TOUR OF EGYPTAIN ATOMIC ENERGY AUTHORITY, AFTER WHICH MUBARAK AND SALIM SAW CROWN PRINCE OFF AT AIRPORT. UPON ARRIVAL AT AMMAN, AS REPORTED BY EGYPTIAN GAZETTE, HASSAN STRESSED POSSIBILITIES FOR ECONOMIC INEGRATION BETWEEN EGYPT AND JORDAN AND MENTIONED LIKELIHOOD OF INCREASED JORDANIAN EXPORTS OF PHOSPHATES AND FERTILIZERS TO EGYPT. CROWN PRINCE OPINED THAT TRIP HAD DONE MUCH TO CONSOLIDATE EGYPTIAN-JORDANIAN RELATIONS. ALL PAPERS MENTIONED THAT HASSAN UNCLASSIFIED

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SINGLED OUT MUBARAK AS GREATLY CONTRIBUTING TO SUCCESS OF VISIT.
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